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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT B

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified patent application,
applicant submit herewith an amendment to the claims. No new matter has been added.

In the claims:

Please add claims 65 - 69, as follows.

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A foldable member comprising:

at least a first tube made of layers of material;

at least one predetermined hinge area along the length of the first

tube; and